



National Park Service
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Chaco Culture
National Historical Park

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Application for Educational/Scientific Waiver of Entrance Fees

Date of visit: _____

Name of educational institution sponsoring tour: _____

Mailing address: _____

Official in charge of group: _____ Phone #: _____

Number of students: _____ Number of adult sponsors: _____

Purpose of Visit: Statement of the educational and/or scientific objectives which are to be accomplished through this visit, and how this visit specifically relates to Chaco Culture National Historical Park resources (include a copy of course curriculum)

CERTIFICATION: "I hereby certify that the above organization is officially recognized as a bona fide educational or scientific institution by a federal, state, or local government body and that the facts provided herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and are submitted for the explicit purpose of obtaining a waiver of entrance fees. I am providing documentation pertaining to the organization's status as an educational institution as requested on the reverse of this form, as well as the course curriculum related to this visit."

Signature of Applicant

Date

IMPORTANT:

- Please see page 2 of application for instructions on additional documentation needed to apply for fee waiver.
- The approval of this permit does not grant schools any rights not given to all park visitors.
- Group leaders must insure that all students know and follow park rules (enclosed).
- This fee waiver only covers park entrance fees not camping fees.

FEE WAIVER APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

Superintendent

Date

Instructions for Completing Educational/Scientific Waiver of Entrance Fees Chaco Culture National Historical Park

If you represent an educational or scientific institution, you may be eligible for a waiver of entrance fees for adults over 16 years in your group (children 16 and under are free). To apply for an educational fee waiver, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, section 71.13(d) requires that you provide the following documentation at least **TWO WEEKS PRIOR** to your park visit. Failure to do so may require charging the entrance fee for the group:

1. **A statement as to the specific purpose of the visit**, what it entails, and how it relates to the resources of Chaco Culture National Historical Park. Write your detailed statement on page 1 of this form under "Purpose of Visit."
2. Copy of the course **curriculum** relating to your park visit.
3. **Completed application** on page 1 of this form.
4. **Documentation of your Official Recognition as an Educational or Scientific Institution** by a federal, state, or local government body. Generally, the governmental body is one that is responsible for educational/ accreditation activities.

Indicate which item you are submitting with this application to satisfy #4 above:

Please Note: Scouting organizations are generally considered service groups, e.g., Boy Scouts of America is a service organization and does not qualify for the educational waiver unless they meet the application criteria.

- ☐ **Official Recognition** as an educational institution by a federal, state, or local government. Documentation of this recognition must be on institutional letterhead and must be signed by the head of the institution or department. This recognition must be provided by the governing agency charged with the administrative supervision of the institution.
- ☐ Documentation for groups who have been granted **Educational Tax Exemption** by the Internal Revenue Service. Bona fide educational or scientific institutions qualify for fee waiver exemption. **Official Documentation** of such exemption must accompany this request. (An IRS determination that you are a non-profit organization is **not** sufficient to fulfill this requirement.)
- ☐ Documentation from non-school groups or organizations **Officially Recognized** by a school or scientific institution for purposes of providing educational credit hours or continuing education based on a specific course of instruction would qualify. Official documentation of such recognition must accompany this request.
- ☐ Documentation from educational institutions which for religious or philosophical reasons choose not to be accredited by State educational systems, but whose graduates can be accepted by educational institutions based on curriculum achievement, scholastic aptitude, etc. qualify as an educational group. Government accreditation is **not** required. Documentation can consist of a letter from the state or local governmental body attesting to the legitimacy of the school or institution.

Mail or fax the application and supporting documentation to: Superintendent, Chaco Culture National Historical Park, P.O. Box 220, Nageezi, NM 87037. Fax: 505-786-7061. Please phone 505 786-7014 x221 if you have any questions. We will return a copy of the approved or disapproved application prior to your visit.